

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 292

DIGEST OF SB 292 (Updated February 21, 2002 2:23 PM - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 20-1; IC 20-6.1; IC 20-8.1; IC 20-10.1; IC 20-10.2.

Synopsis: High ability students, student tracking, and teacher compensation. Requires: (1) the education roundtable to include a representative of education programs for exceptional learners (children with disabilities and high ability students); (2) the department of education to provide grants to school corporations to carry out plans for high ability students who meet certain criteria; and (3) a school corporation's strategic and continuous school improvement plan to address the needs of all students, including exceptional learners. Requires a school corporation to review its programs to determine whether certain practices have the effect of systematically separating students by race, color, creed, national origin, or socioeconomic class. Provides a method to allow school corporations to count the number of course credit hours attributable to individual teachers for purposes of determining teachers' salaries, compensation, and other benefits.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

Rogers, Lubbers, Breaux, Landske, Hershman, Kenley

(HOUSE SPONSOR — PORTER)

January 7, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Education. January 17, 2002, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass. January 22, 2002, read second time, ordered engrossed. January 23, 2002, engrossed. January 24, 2002, read third time, passed. Yeas 49, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION

February 5, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Education. February 14, 2002, amended, reported — Do Pass. February 21, 2002, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



Second Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2002)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 20-1-20.5-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.146-1999,
2	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 4. The roundtable consists of the following
4	members:
5	(1) A number of members appointed jointly by the governor and
6	the superintendent of public instruction. These members must be
7	representatives of:
8	(A) business and community leaders;
9	(B) elementary and secondary education, including special
10	education; programs for exceptional learners (as defined in
11	IC 20-10.2-2-5.5); and
12	(C) higher education.
13	The number of members appointed under clause (A) must be
14	equal to the number of members appointed under clauses (B) and
15	(C).
16	(2) Two (2) members appointed by the president pro tempore of
17	the senate from different political parties.



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1	(3) Two (2) members appointed by the speaker of the house of
2	representatives from different political parties.
3	SECTION 2. IC 20-6.1-5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
4	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
5	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 2.5. (a) For school corporations
6	where teachers' salaries, compensation, and other benefits are
7	determined under a contract reached through collective bargaining
8	under IC 20-7.5, this section applies to teachers' salaries,
9	compensation, and other benefits under collective bargaining
10	contracts that are executed and take effect after June 30, 2002.
11	(b) As used in this section, "approved academic credit" refers
12	to academic credit in courses approved by the board.
13	(c) For purposes of determining teachers' salaries,
14	compensation, and other benefits, the following apply:
15	(1) A school corporation shall count in the number of credit
16	hours attributable to an individual teacher all hours of
17	approved academic credit that the teacher earns beyond an
18	undergraduate degree.
19	(2) A school corporation may elect to count in the number of
20	credit hours attributable to an individual teacher any credit
21	hours that the teacher earns beyond an undergraduate degree
22	that are not approved academic credit.
23	(3) A school corporation shall recognize as equivalent:
24	(A) a teacher who earns a master's degree; and
25	(B) a teacher who earns an amount of approved academic
26	credit that:
27	(i) is determined through collective bargaining under
28	IC 20-7.5; and
29	(ii) does not exceed thirty-six (36) hours.
30	(d) Compensation for continuing education or professional
31	development activities that are required in order to obtain or
32	retain a teaching license shall be determined in accordance with
33	IC 20-7.5. This section does not limit the rights of the school
34	employer or the exclusive representative to mutually establish
35	under IC 20-7.5 compensation for continuing education or
36	professional development activities that are in addition to
37	requirements to obtain or retain a teaching license.
38	SECTION 3. IC 20-8.1-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
39 40	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. Segregation
40	Prohibited, Generally. (a) Neither the governing body of any school
41	corporation nor the board of trustees of any college or university shall

build or erect, establish, maintain, continue or permit any segregated



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1	or separate public kindergartens, public schools or districts, public
2	school departments or divisions, or colleges or universities on the basis
3	of race, color, creed or national origin of pupils or students. These
4	officials may take any affirmative actions that are reasonable, feasible,
5	and practical to effect greater integration and to reduce or prevent
6	segregation or separation of races in public schools for whatever cause.
7	These actions may include, but are not limited to, site selection,
8	revision of school districts, curricula, or enrollment policies to
9	implement equalization of educational opportunity for all.
.0	(b) A school corporation shall review the school corporation's
.1	programs to determine if the school corporation's practices of:
2	(1) separating students by ability;
.3	(2) placing students into educational tracks; or
4	(3) using test results to screen students;
.5	have the effect of systematically separating students by race, color,
.6	creed, national origin, or socioeconomic class.
.7	SECTION 4. IC 20-10.1-5.1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
.8	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. (a) The department
.9	shall establish a state resources program using existing state resources
20	that:
21	(1) supports school corporations in the development of local
22	programs for high ability students;
23	(2) enables educational opportunities that encourage high ability
24	students to reach the highest possible level at every stage of the
25	students' development; and
26	(3) provides state integrated services that include, but are not
27	limited to, the following:
28	(A) Information and materials resource centers.
29	(B) Professional development plan and programs.
30	(C) Research and development services.
31	(D) Technical assistance that includes the following:
32	(i) Student assessment.
33	(ii) Program assessment.
34	(iii) Program development and implementation.
35	(E) Support for educators pursuing professional
36	development leading to endorsement or licensure in gifted
37	and talent education.
38	(b) In addition to the program established under subsection (a),
39	the department shall use appropriations to provide grants to school

corporations for programs for high ability students if the school corporation's plan under section 4 of this chapter meets the



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following criteria:

1	(1) The plan provides for multiple means of identifying high	
2	ability students, including procedures for students who may	
3	not be identified through traditional means because of	
4	economic disadvantage, cultural background,	
5	underachievement, or disabilities.	
6	(2) The plan sets forth appropriate education experiences in	
7	core curriculum areas for high ability students in	
8	kindergarten through grade 12.	
9	(3) The plan aligns with the strategic and continuous school	
10	improvement and achievement plans under IC 20-10.2-3-3 for	
11	the schools within the school corporation.	
12	SECTION 5. IC 20-10.2-2-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA	
13	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS	
14	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 5.5. "Exceptional learner" refers	
15	to the following:	
16	(1) A child with a disability (as defined in IC 20-1-6-1).	
17	(2) A high ability student (as defined in IC 20-10.1-5.1-2).	1
18	SECTION 6. IC 20-10.2-3-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.221-1999,	
19	SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE	
20	JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. (a) A plan:	
21	(1) shall lay out objectives for a three (3) year period; and	
22	(2) must be annually reviewed and revised to accomplish the	
23	achievement objectives of the school.	
24	(b) A plan must establish objectives for the school to achieve. These	
25	achievement objectives must be consistent with academic standards	
26	and include improvement in at least the following areas:	4
27	(1) Attendance rate.	\
28	(2) The percentage of students meeting academic standards under	
29	the ISTEP program (IC 20-10.1-16).	
30	(3) For a secondary school, graduation rate.	
31	(c) A plan must address the learning needs of all students,	
32	including programs and services for exceptional learners.	
33	(d) A plan must specify how and to what extent the school expects	
34	to make continuous improvement in all areas of the education system	
35	where results are measured by setting benchmarks for progress on an	
36	individual school basis.	

(d) (e) A plan must note specific areas where improvement is



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needed immediately.

SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Rogers be added as second author of Senate Bill 292.

LUBBERS

SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Rogers be removed as second author of Senate Bill 292.

ROGERS

SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Lubbers be removed as author of Senate Bill 292 and that Senator Rogers be substituted therefor.

LUBBERS

SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Lubbers be added as second author of Senate Bill 292.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Education, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 292, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, line 22, after "to" insert "endorsement or".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 292 as introduced.)

LUBBERS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Hershman be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 292.

ROGERS

SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Kenley be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 292.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred Senate Bill 292, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 2. IC 20-8.1-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. Segregation Prohibited, Generally. (a) Neither the governing body of any school corporation nor the board of trustees of any college or university shall build or erect, establish, maintain, continue or permit any segregated or separate public kindergartens, public schools or districts, public school departments or divisions, or colleges or universities on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin of pupils or students. These officials may take any affirmative actions that are reasonable, feasible, and practical to effect greater integration and to reduce or prevent segregation or separation of races in public schools for whatever cause. These actions may include, but are not limited to, site selection, revision of school districts, curricula, or enrollment policies to implement equalization of educational opportunity for all.

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have the effect of systematically separating students by race, color, creed, national origin, or socioeconomic class.".

Page 2, line 24, delete "programs provided" and insert "**program established**".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 292 as printed January 18, 2002.)

PORTER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.



HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Engrossed Senate Bill 292 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 2. IC 20-6.1-5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 2.5. (a) For school corporations where teachers' salaries, compensation, and other benefits are determined under a contract reached through collective bargaining under IC 20-7.5, this section applies to teachers' salaries, compensation, and other benefits under collective bargaining contracts that are executed and take effect after June 30, 2002.

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 - (ii) does not exceed thirty-six (36) hours.
- (d) Compensation for continuing education or professional development activities that are required in order to obtain or retain a teaching license shall be determined in accordance with IC 20-7.5. This section does not limit the rights of the school employer or the exclusive representative to mutually establish under IC 20-7.5 compensation for continuing education or professional development activities that are in addition to requirements to obtain or retain a teaching license."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to ESB 292 as printed February 15, 2002.)

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